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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the following information is brought to the Examiner's attention.

U.S. Patent No. 5,911,715.

To assist the Examiner in entering the foregoing information into the record, the above-noted document is cited on the attached form PTO-1449 and a copy of the document is enclosed.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the foregoing information and to acknowledge such consideration by initialing, signing and returning the enclosed additional copy of form PTO-1449.

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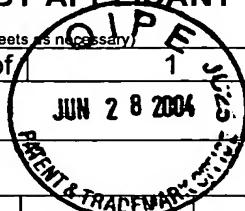
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